IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1-4, 8-12, 26-28 and 43 as shown in the following listing of claims, which replaces all previous listings and versions of claims.

1. (currently amended) Crane apparatus installed on a foundation extending into water for directly transshipping containers from a vessel moored alongside the foundation to another transportation mode without necessity of ground placement of the containers, the crane apparatus comprising: a trackway disposed at ground level on the foundation and extending lengthwise along the foundation; a parent crane ~~mounted on the foundation and~~ displaceable ~~therealong~~ on the trackway lengthwise along the foundation for unloading containers from a vessel moored alongside the foundation and placing the containers on a first platform affixed to a part of the parent crane; and a sibling crane ~~mounted on the foundation and~~ displaceable ~~therealong~~ lengthwise along the foundation at ground level beneath the parent crane, ~~and~~ independently of displacement of the parent crane, for loading containers from the first platform onto over-the-ground vehicles.

2. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 1; wherein the parent crane has a first trolley/spreader hoist movable along a first boom for unloading containers from the vessel and placing the containers on either the first platform or a second platform of the parent crane, and a second trolley/spreader hoist movable along a second boom for loading containers from the second platform onto another vessel moored alongside the foundation or over-the-ground vehicles.

3. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 2; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles on which containers are loaded by the sibling crane comprise railroad cars.

4. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 3; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles on which containers are loaded by the second trolley/spreader hoist comprise multi-trailer sets or automated guided vehicles.

5. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 2; wherein the second trolley/spreader hoist is displaceable in both lengthwise and widthwise directions of the second boom.

6. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 2; wherein the second trolley/spreader hoist is displaceable in both lengthwise and widthwise directions of the second boom for loading containers from the second platform onto another vessel in plural cells while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

7. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 2; wherein the second trolley/spreader hoist is displaceable in both lengthwise and widthwise directions of the second boom for loading containers from the second platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

8. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 7; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles on which containers are loaded by the second trolley/spreader hoist comprise multi-trailer sets or automated guided vehicles.

9. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 7; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles on which containers are loaded by the second trolley/spreader hoist are positioned in plural rows, the vehicles in each row

being positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation.

10. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 9; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles on which containers are loaded by the second trolley/spreader hoist comprise multi-trailer sets or automated guided vehicles.

11. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 2; wherein the sibling crane has a trolley/spreader hoist and is displaceable lengthwise along the foundation to enable the trolley/spreader hoist thereof to load containers from the first platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

12. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 11; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles on which containers are loaded by the sibling crane comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

13. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 1; wherein the sibling crane is displaceable lengthwise along the foundation to load containers from the first platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

14. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 13; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars.

15. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 13; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise multi-trailer sets or automated guided vehicles.

16. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 13; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles are positioned in plural rows, the vehicles in each row being positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation.

17. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 16; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

18. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 1; wherein the sibling crane has a trolley/spreader hoist displaceable lengthwise and widthwise of the foundation independently of lengthwise displacement of the parent crane along the foundation.

19. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 18; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars.

20. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 18; wherein the sibling crane is displaceable lengthwise along the foundation to enable the trolley/spreader hoist thereof to load containers from the first platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

21. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 20; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles are positioned in plural rows, the vehicles in each row being positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation.

22. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 21; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

23. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 20; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

24. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 23; wherein the railroad tracks extend beneath the sibling crane.

25. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 2; wherein the sibling crane is not fixed to or carried by the parent crane.

26. (currently amended) Crane apparatus installed on a foundation extending into water for directly transshipping containers from a vessel moored alongside the foundation to another transportation mode without necessity of ground placement of the containers, the crane apparatus comprising: a mobile parent crane displaceable lengthwise along the foundation <u>on a ground level trackway</u> for unloading containers from a vessel moored alongside the foundation and

placing the containers on a first platform connected to a part of the parent crane; and a mobile sibling crane not fixed to the parent crane and displaceable lengthwise along the foundation at ground level beneath the parent crane, independently of displacement of the parent crane, for loading containers directly from the first platform onto over-the-ground vehicles.

27. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 26; further including another ground level trackway extending lengthwise along the foundation beneath the parent crane and on which the sibling crane is displaceable, the parent crane trackway being located outboard of the sibling crane trackway ~~wherein the parent crane is mounted on the foundation to undergo lengthwise displacement therealong, and the sibling crane is mounted on the foundation separately from the parent crane to undergo lengthwise displacement therealong independently of displacement of the parent crane~~.

28. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 27; wherein when the parent crane is in a fixed position along the foundation, the sibling crane is displaceable on its trackway in the lengthwise direction of the foundation outwardly from beneath the parent crane on either side of the parent crane.

29. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 26; wherein when the parent crane is in a fixed position along the foundation, the sibling crane is displaceable in the lengthwise direction of the foundation outwardly from beneath the parent crane on either side of the parent crane.

30. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 26; wherein the sibling crane is displaceable lengthwise along the foundation to load containers from the first platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

31. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 30; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars.

32. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 31; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars.

33. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 31; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise multi-trailer sets or automated guided vehicles.

34. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 31; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles are positioned in plural rows, the vehicles in each row being positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation.

35. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 34; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

36. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 26; wherein the sibling crane has a trolley/spreader hoist displaceable lengthwise and widthwise of the foundation independently of lengthwise displacement of the parent crane along the foundation.

37. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 36; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars.

38. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 36; wherein the sibling crane is displaceable lengthwise along the foundation to enable the trolley/spreader hoist thereof to load containers from the first platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles

positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

39. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 38; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles are positioned in plural rows, the vehicles in each row being positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation.

40. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 39; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

41. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 36; wherein the over-the-ground vehicles comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.

42. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 41; wherein the railroad tracks extend beneath the sibling crane.

43. (currently amended) Crane apparatus according to claim 26; the parent crane has a first trolley/spreader hoist movable along a first boom for unloading containers from

the vessel and placing the containers on either the first platform or a second platform of the parent crane, and a second trolley/spreader hoist movable along a second boom for loading containers from the second platform onto another vessel moored alongside the foundation or over-the-ground vehicles.

44. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 43; wherein the second trolley/spreader hoist is displaceable in both lengthwise and widthwise directions of the second boom.

45. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 43; wherein the second trolley/spreader hoist is displaceable in both lengthwise and widthwise directions of the second boom for loading containers from the second platform onto another vessel in plural cells while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

46. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 43; wherein the second trolley/spreader hoist is displaceable in both lengthwise and widthwise directions of the second boom for loading containers from the second platform onto another vessel in plural cells while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

47. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 46; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles loaded by the second trolley/spreader hoist comprise multi-trailer sets or automated guided vehicles.

48. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 43; wherein the sibling crane has a trolley/spreader hoist displaceable lengthwise and widthwise of the foundation independently of lengthwise displacement of the parent crane along the foundation.

49. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 48; wherein the sibling crane is displaceable lengthwise along the foundation to enable the trolley/spreader hoist thereof to load containers from the first platform onto a plurality of over-the-ground vehicles positioned in end-to-end relation in the lengthwise direction of the foundation while the parent crane remains in a fixed position along the foundation.

50. (previously presented) Crane apparatus according to claim 49; wherein the plurality of over-the-ground vehicles loaded by the sibling crane comprise railroad cars displaceable on railroad tracks extending lengthwise along the foundation.